COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

TO:

THE CITY COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING DATE

NO.

FROM:

THE CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

OCTOBER 17, 1990

SUBJECT:

SPECIFICATIONS AND ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS - TURF FERTILIZER

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the City Council approve the specifications and authorize the advertisement for bids for the purchase of 20 tons of Best "Turf Gold" slow-release fertilizer for use in various City parks.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: Each year the Parks Department purchases fertilizer for use on the City's 208 acres of parks. Experience has shown that Best Turf Gold yields a lower annual cost per acre due to a longer nitrogen release time, requiring fewer applications per year, than a water-soluble or agricultural blend fertilizer.

This purchase, having an estimated cost of \$9,000, is included in the Parks Department's 1990/91 budget.

The bid opening date has been set for Tuesday, October 30, 1990.

Joel E. Harris Purchasing Officer

cc: Director, Parks and Recreation

Parks Superintendent